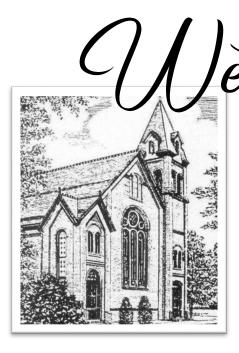
In response to God's love and grace, through Jesus Christ, we commit to learning, proclaiming, and living the love of God.



We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today! We are a community of faith committed to Christian discipleship.

come

Greencastle Presbyterian Church

10:00 am Worship Service

The Order of Worship for September 24, 2023

SERVING THE CHURCH TODAY

Please join us for coffee, refreshments, and fellowship in the Social Room after Worship. Everyone is welcome!

CENTERING THOUGHT

But I trust in your unfailing love. I will rejoice because you have rescued me. I will sing to the LORD because he is good to me. Psalm 13:5-6

Welcome and Brief Announcements

The Prelude Gabriel's Oboe Ennio Morrricone Paul Grane, soprano saxophone Ken Shockey, organ

*The Call to Worship

Leader: Let us sing and make melody; let us awaken the dawn!

People: We give thanks to you, O God, among the peoples. We sing praises to you among the nations.

Leader: For your steadfast love is higher than the heavens, and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

People: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let your glory be over all the earth.

*Hymn #41 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

*The Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people. You have called us to be the church, to serve as your witnesses in a hurting and broken world. Yet we acknowledge that we are more apathetic than active, more isolated than involved, more callous than compassionate, more obstinate than obedient.

Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

(Silent Prayer)

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*The Gloria Patri #581

The Children's Time

The Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

O God, you know us better than we know ourselves. As the scriptures are read, we will listen for your voice. By your Spirit lead us out of our fears and into the knowledge of your love, through Jesus Christ, the Great Shepherd of our souls. Amen.

The First Scripture Reading

Genesis 41

Anthem I Need Thee Every Hour

arr. John Ness Beck

*The Gospel Reading

Matthew 12:33-37

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

The Message

Trust Despite the Circumstances - Pastor Robert Cook

*The Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church - the same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles and rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture.

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries

in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

*Hymn #844 Incline Your Ear, O Lord, to Me

The Lord's Prayer

*The Doxology #606

*The Dedication of Our Offerings

*Hymn #848 Trust in God

*The Blessing

The Postlude Setting by Matthew Machemer

Toccata on Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

Ken Shockey, organ

IF YOU ARE NEW HERE — We are glad you joined us for worship today! Please take a moment to sign the visitor card located in your pew and place it in the offering basket in the front of the sanctuary or hand to an usher. Print your name, address, phone number, and email address so we can follow up with you. If you want to learn more about our church, a good place to start is our Facebook page at facebook.com/Greencastle Presbyterian Church. We have some copies of our newsletters in the Narthex. Past services can be viewed on our YouTube.com Greencastle Presbyterian Church Livestreams



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June Marshall Aaron Frick
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Noah McCampbell Sue Angle

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Patti Sechrist Leslie Torres

Alan Shope Caroline Robinson

Tim Walck Dian Bishop
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Steven Bishop Vasilija Milanovic Mindy Grosh Celia Kuhlmann

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Linda Pittman Bethany Yeager
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Kim Hay Cathy Thomas
Cullen Gaston Dan Dorty

Laura Tantillo York Dominic Frampton

Barry Thomas Bill Horst

Bob & Sandy Seidel Bobbie Biesecker

The Gagne family

Good and gracious God, we surrender all worries and concerns to You. Knowing that You are in control and that all will work out for the good.

Help us to trust You more each day. Amen.

Due to the weather and low attendance, the *War Room* movie night is rescheduled to **Sat, Sept 30 in the Social Room at 6 pm**

With great jobs, a beautiful daughter (Alena Pitts) and a dream house, the Jordans seem to have it all. Appearances can be deceiving, how-

ever, as husband Tony (T.C. Stallings) flirts with temptation and wife Elizabeth (Priscilla Shirer) becomes increasingly bitter, crumbling under the strain of a failing marriage. Their lives take an unexpected turn for the better when Elizabeth meets her newest client, Miss Clara (Karen Abercrombie), who encourages the couple to find happiness through prayer.



War Room is a Christian-based movie rated PG. According to Common Sense Media, the movie is recommended for ages 12+ but parents may review to decide. Light refreshments will be served.

Beginning Sunday, October 1st we'll begin a **Bible Study at 8:45 am in the Social Room**. This is a five-week series based on the movie, War Room.

Greencastle-Antrim Food Pantry The Shelves Are Nearly Bare! Your Help Is Needed!

On Wednesday Sept 13th, the Food Pantry helped well over 60 families in need. But the shelves in the pantry were hit hard. Of course, the point is to give it away to those needing food. So now the Food Pantry needs our help to restock. You can bring by good and in date dry and canned items during office hours or on Sunday. Bless you for helping to care for so many of our community members in need!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday 9/24 10:00 am Worship / Coffee and Fellowship *Prayers for First United Presbyterian Church, Newville*

Tuesday 9/26 9:30 am Greencastle-Antrim Christian Women's Fellowship at Evangelical Lutheran Church

Wednesday 9/27 9:00 am Wednesday Prayer Circle

6:00 pm Bell Choir 7:00 pm Chancel Choir 7:00 pm Ladies AA Meeting

Sunday 10/1 8:45 am Bible Study (War Room)

10:00 am Worship / Communion

Coffee and Fellowship / First Sunday Food Drive Prayers for Wells Valley Presbyterian, Wells Tannery



Bring your puppies and kitties, or hamsters or snakes and the Pastor will bless each one.

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